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SUBJECT: NEW RHODESIAN INCURSIONS INTO MOZAMBIQUE.

1 NOTICIAS DECEMBER 18 REPORTED THAT RHODESIAN FORCES CARRIED OUT TWO SEPARATE ATTACKS IN MOZAMBIQUE ON DECEMBER 17. MOST SERIOUS INCIDENT OCCURRED AT CHIRARA IN MANICA PROVINCE WHERE EIGHT CIVILIANS WERE REPORTED KILLED AND TEN OTHERS WOUNDED. ACCORDING TO NOTICIAS, THE RHODESIAN GROUND UNITS THAT RAIDED CHIRARA WERE SUPPORTED BY TWO JETS, ONE BOMBER AND TWO HELICOPTER GUN SHIPS.

2. SECOND INCIDENT OCCURRED IN THE SOUTHERN PROVINCE OF GAZA, NEAR THE VILLAGE OF CHITANGA. (CHITANGA IS LOCATED BETWEEN CHICUALACUALA AND MAVUE AND IS APPROXIMATELY THIRTY MILES INSIDE MOZAMBIQUE.) RHODESIAN FORCES ALLEGEDLY SHELLLED THE TOWN ON DECEMBER 16 AND 17. NO CASUALITIES WERE REPORTED IN THESE ATTACKS.

3. NOTICIAS REPORTED THAT SINCE THE BEGINNING OF DECMEBER RHODESIAN FORCES HAVE ATTACKED THE TOWNS OF GURO, IN MANICA
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PROVINCE, CAPONDA, IN TETE PROVINCE, AND CHICUALACUALA AND PAFURI IN GAZA PROVINCE.
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